

REMARKS

In view of the above amendments and the following remarks, reconsideration of the rejections contained in the Office Action of November 29, 2005 is respectfully requested.

Claims 11-35 were submitted in the Amendment filed September 9, 2005 in order to accept the allowable subject matter indicated in the Office Action of March 9, 2005. However, in the outstanding Office Action, the Examiner rejected independent claim 11 as being anticipated by the Lee reference (US 5,639,678); and rejected claims 13 and 17 as being unpatentable over the Lee reference. However, the Examiner also indicated that dependent claims 12 and 14-16 contain allowable subject matter, and that claims 18-35 are allowed. Consequently, the claims have now been further amended as explained below.

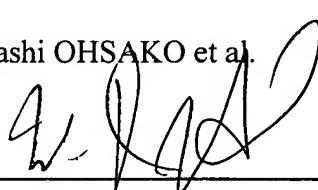
Firstly, it is noted that claims 18-35 have not been amended. Therefore, in view of the Examiner's indication of allowable subject matter in the outstanding Office Action, it is submitted that claims 18-35 are still in condition for allowance.

Independent claim 11 has now been amended so as to incorporate the subject matter of allowable dependent claim 12, and dependent claim 12 has been cancelled. In addition, allowable dependent claims 14-16 have each been amended so as to be placed in independent form including the subject matter of original base independent claim 11. Therefore, in view of the Examiner's indication of allowable subject matter, it is respectfully submitted that amended independent claims 11 and 14-16, as well as the claims that depend therefrom, are now in condition for allowance.

In view of the above amendments and remarks, it is submitted that the present application is now in condition for allowance. However, if the Examiner should have any comments or suggestions to help speed the prosecution of this application, the Examiner is requested to contact the Applicant's undersigned representative.

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